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Selbysport
Private

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Robert W. Lewis House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Old Morgantown Rd., S side, approx. 3/10 mi. W of Yough. River Lake

CITY, TOWN

Selbysport

VICINITY OF

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Robert W. Lewis

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 303

Folio #: 200

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE

Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**☐ EXCELLENT☒ GOOD☐ FAIR☐ DETERIORATED☐ RUINS☐ UNEXPOSED**CHECK ONE**☒ UNALTERED☐ ALTERED**CHECK ONE**☒ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED

DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Robert W. Lewis House is placed on a hill above Old Morgantown Road, facing north. The ground slopes up steeply behind the house.

The house is a two-story, gable-roofed dwelling, measuring three bays across the front and two bays on the sides. A one-story shed addition projects from the rear (S) elevation, and a three-bay, one-story porch adorns the facade.

The house rests on a low stone foundation and is covered with red, brick-patterned asphalt siding. The windows are two over two sash and have cornices and plain board surrounds. The central facade door has a single-paned transom and also has a cornice and plain board surround. All window and door trim and cornerboards are painted white.

The roof is covered with standing seam metal. There are two interior stove chimneys, at either end of the main block.

At the rear elevation, on the SE corner, is a small service porch with a shed roof, which is part of the rear shed addition. The roof is supported by square posts, painted white. On the facade, the hipped-roof porch is supported by four turned posts which sport jigsawn quarter-round brackets and drop spindles. The porch eave is also trimmed with drop spindles. The balustrade is jigsawn and the roof is covered with tarpaper. The porch posts and balustrade are painted white, and the brackets and drop spindles are painted green.

At the bottom of the hill, near the road, is a low concrete retaining wall. Several feet to the E of the house, at the level of the road, is a small gable-roofed garage facing N. The garage rests on a brick foundation and is constructed of unpainted German siding. The rear of the garage has been built into the side of the hill. There is evidence on the E elevation of a previous structure in the remains of a stone wall or foundation. The roof of the present structure is of corrugated metal.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

ca. 1900

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

unknown

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is an example of a common western Maryland type. Houses of this general configuration, a rectangular main block with a symmetrical three bay facade, were constructed in Garrett County from the late nineteenth through the early twentieth centuries.

The porch trim may have been manufactured at one of the many local sawmills.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Ann Burns, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

March 1981

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

301-269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

CHAIN OF TITLE

G-II-A-107
Selbysport

303/260
9-14-70
Deed

From: Henry O. & Vernie Bowser
To: Robert W. & Geraldine E. Lewis
Consideration: \$10.00 and "other good and valuable
considerations"
Acreage: 7 acres
Notes: lot measure begins "at the corner of the Jonas
Frazee lot"

134/340
10-24-44
Deed

From: Frederick F. Humberson
To: Henry O. & Vernie Bowser
Consideration: \$1000.00
Acreage: 7 acres in 2 parcels

Parcel #1 - 3/4 acre fronting an old Morgantown Road
"begins at the NE corner of the land
formerly belonging to John J. & Mattie
Knapp, and running thence with the road in
a westerly direction 17 perches and "feet
to a post... (91/38 7-1-1925)

116/487
8-24-1937

Parcel #2 - begins at corner of Jonas Frazee lot
6 1/4 acres

Parcel #2
116/487
8-24-37

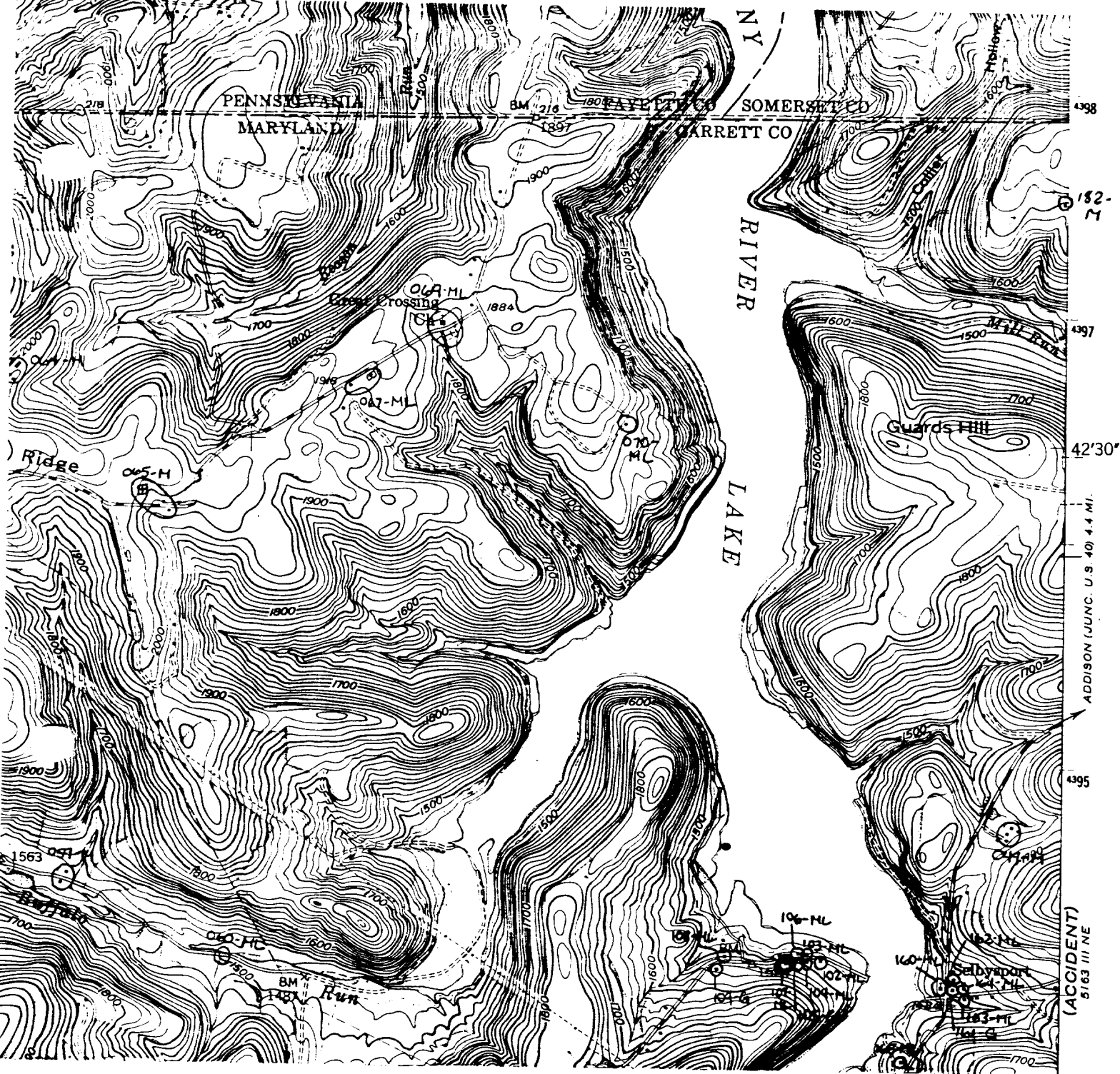
From: John J. & Mattie Knapp
To: Frederick and Lewanda Humberson
Consideration: \$100.00
begins at same corner as lot belonging
to Jonas Frazee 6 1/4 acres

Parcel #1
91/38
7-1-25
Deed

From: John J. & Mattie Knapp
To: Frederick and Lewanda Humberson
Consideration: \$600.00
Acreage: 3/4 acre spring on SW corner of land

16/594
4-4-1891
Deed

From: Catherine and John M. Kessler
To: John J. & Mattie Knapp
Consideration: \$350.00 "all that piece or parcel of land
known as the Commons situate near
Selbysport" 7 acres beginning at corner
of lot sold to Jonas Frazee



Friendsville, MD.-PA.-WV.
 USGS 7.5 minute series
 Scale - 1:24000
 1947; photorevised 1974

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 South side, Old Morgantown Rd. approx.
 3/10 mi. west of Youghiogheny River Lake
 shore, Selbysport



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Garrett Co., MD

M. Stinson 9/9/80

Facade - N elevation



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W & S elevations



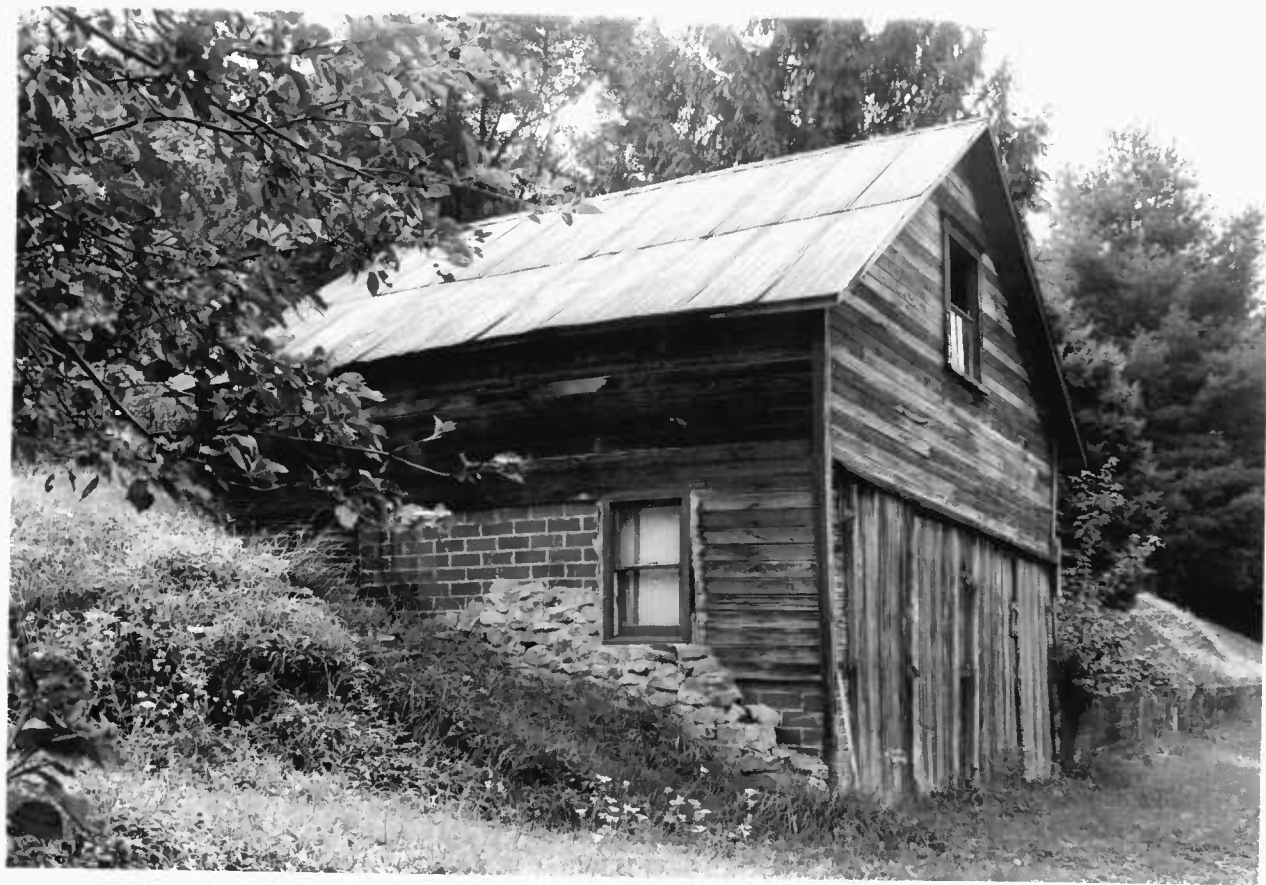
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E elevation



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Garage - E & N elevations